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Champagne Bottle Opener

Abstract Claim (Revised)

A one-piece, hand-operated opener for plastic cork or cap removal on champagne or similar pressurized bottled beverages, consisting of a frame of generally rigid material forming the oblong handle (1), which at one end has a round keyhole portion (2), which engages the round shaped opening of the head portion of a plastic cork or cap press-fitted into the neck of a champagne type bottle with the concave, circular cylindrical guide slot is provided on the lower jaw of the tool (3), fitting under the lower edge of the plastic cork or cap for engaging the entire cork or cap enabling it to be slowly released with a slight lifting to control the gradual vacuum release of the gases within the bottle for easy and safe removal of the cork or cap.

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